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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended). A game comprising:

- 5 (a) a substantially flat longitudinal playing surface having two ends, the playing surface suitable for supporting one or more players of the game standing on the playing surface;
- (b) a marker, placed at one end of the playing surface, behind which a player pitches or bowls a game ball;
- (c) a scoring goal, placed at the end of the playing surface opposite the marker, the scoring goal having
- 10 an outer scoring area located on the playing surface having a perimeter defined by a plurality of outer poles ~~and located on the playing surface,~~
- an inner scoring area located on the playing surface at least partially within the perimeter of the outer scoring area having a perimeter
- 15 defined by a plurality of inner poles in which a ball may come to rest and located on the playing surface at least partially within the perimeter of the outer scoring area,
- a game pole inserted into the playing surface within the perimeter of the outer scoring area, and
- 20 a ball for placing on top of the game pole; and
- (d) at least two game balls for pitching or bowling at the scoring goal.

Claim 2 (original). The game according to claim 1 additionally including a scoreboard.

25 Claim 3 (currently amended). A game comprising:

- (a) a substantially flat longitudinal playing surface having two ends, the playing surface suitable for supporting one or more players of the game standing on the playing surface;
- (b) a marker, placed at one end of the playing surface;

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- (c) a scoring goal, placed at the end of the playing surface opposite the marker, the scoring goal having
- at least three outer poles inserted into the playing surface defining
~~forming~~ an outer scoring area,
- 5 at least three inner poles inserted into the playing surface defining
~~forming~~ an inner scoring area located within the area of the outer scoring area,
- a game pole inserted into the playing surface within the area of the outer scoring area, and
- 10 a ball for placing on top of the game pole; and
- (d) at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the scoring goal.

Claim 4 (original). The game of claim 3, wherein the game balls include;-----

- (a) a first set of at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the
- 15 scoring goal, each ball having a different color; and
- (b) a second set of at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the scoring goal, each ball having a marking of a different color corresponding to the different colors of the first set of game balls.

20 Claim 5 (currently amended). A game comprising:

- a substantially flat longitudinal playing surface having two ends, the playing surface suitable for supporting one or more players of the game standing on the playing surface;
- a marker, placed at one end of the playing surface;
- 25 a scoring goal, placed at the end of the playing surface opposite the marker, the scoring goal having
- (a) four outer poles inserted into the playing surface forming an outer square having a perimeter and center point,

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(b) an outer ~~scoring area boundary~~ formed by the perimeter defined by
the four outer poles,

(c) four inner poles inserted into the playing surface forming an inner
square having a center point in common with the outer square and a perimeter
5 smaller than the perimeter of the outer square,

(d) an inner ~~scoring area boundary~~ formed by the perimeter defined by
the four inner poles;

(e) a game pole inserted into the playing surface at the center point of
the outer square and the inner square[(:)], and

10 (f) a ball for placing on top of the game pole; and
at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the scoring goal.

Claim 6 (original). The game of claim 5 additionally including a line attached to the
four outer poles to form the outer boundary and a line attached to the four inner poles to
15 form an inner boundary.

Claim 7 (original). The game of claim 5, wherein each of the inner poles has a color
different from the other inner poles.

20 Claim 8 (original). The game of claim 7, wherein the game balls include,
(a) a first set of at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the
scoring goal, each ball having a different color; and
(b) a second set of at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the
scoring goal, each ball having a marking of a different color corresponding to the
25 different colors of the first set of game balls.

Claim 9 (original). The game of claim 8, wherein the first set of game balls includes
four balls, each having a different color corresponding to the different colors of the inner
poles.

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Claim 10 (original). The game of claim 9 additionally including a scoreboard.

Claims 11 - 17 (canceled).

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